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The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the reference herein and make it of record in the subject application. It is Applicant's position that the reference cited pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 is clearly not a bar to allowance of the claims in this application.

The above-captioned application has not yet received a substantive Office Action, and accordingly it is believed that no fee is necessary. However, should the Patent Office determine that a fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fee to Deposit Account No. 11-0223.

Respectfully submitted,

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